

MAR 30 1936

BOUND BY
PRINTING &
NEAL BINDING CO.
DOVER, N. H. 1935

W. HAMM
TATE LIBRARY.

33 210 1426
D19 886

ANNUAL REPORT
OF
THE SELECTMEN
AND OTHER
TOWN OFFICERS
OF
DANBURY, N. H.
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1886.



DANBURY, N. H.:
W. H. Traver's Columbian Job Press.
1886.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF
THE SELECTMEN
AND OTHER
TOWN OFFICERS
OF
DANBURY, N. H.
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1886.



DANBURY, N. H.:
W. H. Traver's Columbian Job Press.
1886.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.



Selectmen charge themselves with assessments

of 1885 : State Tax,	\$608 00
County Tax,	588 30
Town “	1000 00
Dog “	67 00
Swellage “	125 26
Non-resident highway tax,	46 14
School tax, District No. 1,	77 47
“ “ 3,	9 74
“ “ 4,	118 88
“ “ 5,	58 71
“ “ 6,	169 43
“ “ 7,	88 85
“ “ 8,	79 25
“ “ 9,	54 83
“ “ 10,	32 60
No. 1 in Grafton,	10 24
School-house tax in District No 8,	55 83
Received of the State, railroad tax,	203 87
“ “ Savings Bank tax,	744 32
“ “ Literary fund,	92 11
“ “ Bounty on woodchucks,	30 70
“ County, pauper claims,	323 89
\$4585 42	

Selectmen credit themselves with orders to collector.

To Pay—State tax,	\$608 00
County tax,	588 30
School tax, District No. 1,	77 47
“ “ 3,	9 74
“ “ 4,	118 88
“ “ 5,	58 71
“ “ 6,	169 43
“ “ 7,	88 85
“ “ 8,	79 25
“ “ 9,	54 83
“ “ 10,	32 60
“ “ 1 in Grafton,	10 24
School-house tax in Dist. No. 8,	55 83
Swellage tax to treasurer,	125 26
Dog “ “	67 00
Town “ “	1000 00
Non-resident highway tax to treas'r,	46 14
Cash paid treasurer as per receipts,	1394 89
	—————\$4585 42

JOHN H. EMMONS,	} Selectmen of Danbury.
JOHN A. BUTRICK,	
OSCAR I. EASTMAN,	

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash in the Treasury March 1st., 1885,	\$1140 53
Received of—Selectmen,	1394 89
Collector for 1884,	550 00
“ interest for 1884,	14 75
“ highway tax,	7 00
“ for 1885,	638 00
“ interest for 1885,	1 73
“ school money Dist. No. 3,	9 74
“ school-house tax “	8, 55 83
J. S. Knowlton, cemetery agent,	5 00
Received Parsonage fund interest,	22 59
Literary “ “	1 11
	—————\$3841 17

Disbursements.

In answer to orders from Selectmen.

Paid—Literary fund for 1885,	\$63 70
Parsonage fund interest,	22 59
Damage to sheep by dogs,	2 00
	—————\$88 29

County Paupers.

Paid—Mary H. Cram, for support of Nancy Waldron,	\$47 50
J. S. Knowlton for going to Wilmot for casket for Nancy Waldron,	1 50
Seth Goodhue, for casket and box for Nancy Waldron,	19 00
A. A. Bickford for preaching funeral sermon for Nancy Waldron,	2 00

Paid—C. S. Taylor for digging grave for	
Nancy Waldron,	3 00
Susan Peters for supp't of J. D. Peters,	104 28
Jeremiah Gould for supp't of Ezra Gould,	65 00
J. C. Webster, for good for " "	3 59
" " " Charles P. Bailey,	89 46
" " for keeping tramps,	4 25
	\$339 58

Town Paupers.

Paid—J. C. Webster for goods for	
Jennie C. Braley	\$20 87
Dr. G. W. Weymouth for professional	
services for Jennie C. Braley,	5 00
Squire Braley for board and nursing	
Jennie C. Braley,	10 00
	\$35 87

Highway Expenses.

Paid—Weld Connell for bridge plank,	\$1 35
J. C. Heath " "	11 36
N. P. Ford, " "	3 32
W. W. Walker, " "	2 86
F. Farnum, " "	25 24
J. C. Pillsbury, " "	2 68
S. B. Follansbee, labor on highway,	5 52
N. P. Ford, " "	14 59
Squire Braley, " "	12 50
H. L. M. Clark, " "	42 88
C. L. Fay " "	3 60
G. W. Stuart, " "	8 55
E. S. Davis, " "	39 86
Alfred Braley, " "	10 00
A. S. Williams, " "	10 00
J. A. Butrick, " "	16 62
E. M. Batchelder, " "	10 00

Paid—J. S. Roby,	“	“	23 16
J. G. Knowlton,	“	“	11 82
C. S. Taylor,	“	“	3 00
Robert Ford,	“	“	14 87
G. K. Jewett,	“	“	3 00
M. S. Roby,	“	“	5 25
W. W. Walker, for building culvert,			12 56
J. C. Webster, lumber and spikes for bridge,			70
Squire Braley, for building bridge,			5 00
J. C. Heath, for labor on bridge,			50
			————— \$300 79

Abatements.

Paid abatements to Hiram M. Currier, collector for 1884.

Charles P. Bailey,	2 32
George C. Flanders,	1 32
J. H. Heath,	1 58
H. J. Hadley,	2 64
Esther Johnson,	1 98
Samuel Sleeper,	1 32
S. E. Towne,	1 32
S. C. Waldron,	1 32
	\$13 80

Paid abatements to Hiram M. Currier, collector for 1885.

James H. Dudley, excess,	1 18
W. P. Worthing, "	1 00
Non-resident highway tax worked, 1/2	14 45
	\$16 63

Miscellaneous.

Paid—G. W. Dean, for public watering place, for '84,	3 00
F. P. Chase, “ “ “	3 00
G. N. Dexter, “ “ for '85,	3 00
A. Wilkins, “ “ “	3 00
J. C. Webster, “ “ “	3 00

Paid—John Tucker, for public watering place for '85,	3 00
Will Kirk, for sawing wood for town hall,	75
C. A. Littlefield, for “ “	3 65
W. H. Traver, for printing town reports,	15 40
Paid—J. C. Webster, for Town Clerk's book, Collector's book, Surveyors' b'ks, checklists, station'y etc.,	\$11 69
J. H. Emmons, for bounty on woodchucks,	30 70
J. C. Webster, for labor and lumber in build- ing hearse house.	142 12
J. C. Webster, for cash paid for hearse and expenses,	253 00
Chase and Streeter, counsel fees in Farnum road case,	34 55
J. D. Follansbee, damage to self, horse and carriage, on highway,	25 00
Dr. W. F. Baldwin, damage to self, horse and carriage, on highway,	29 50
J. J. Crosby, for running town line,	1 50
Isaiah Langley, school-house tax Dist. No. 8,	55 83
E. M. Batchelder, damage to wagons on highway,	10 00
G. B. Sargent, cutting bushes in cemetery,	9 00
Dr. C. P. Newton, for return of births,	50
Dr. G. W. Weymouth, return of b'ths & d'ths,	1 25
Stillman Clark, for school notices,	1 10
J. C. Webster, for recording births, marriages and deaths,	60
J. C. Webster, expenses to Concord to settle pauper claims,	3 00
W. T. Norris, legal service,	7 00
J. H. Emmons, expense to Concord to pay state tax,	3 00
D. J. Perkins, damage to sleigh,	2 00
N. P. Ford, for tax paid on stock that died after appraisal,	1 50

 \$660 64

Current Expenses.

Paid—Auditors for 1884,	\$4 50
Supervisors for 1884,	5 00
Cyrus B. Jones, services as selectman in Dist. case, 1884,	2 00
J. H. Emmons, “ “ for '84,	6 00
J. A. Butrick, “ “ “	6 00
Stillman Clark, services as S. S. Com. for '85,	30 00
J. C. Webster, “ town clerk “	12 00
“ “ “ Overseer of Poor “	10 00
Frank E. Litchfield, Town Treasurer “	25 00
J. H. Emmons, Selectman for 1885,	65 00
J. A. Butrick, “ “	42 00
O. I. Eastman, “ “	36 00
H. M. Currier, Collector “	30 00
W. T. Norris, Supervisor “	10 00
A. Wilkins, “ “	8 00
John Wells “ “	8 00
Seletmen, for perambulating town lines,	30 00
H. M. Currier, Collector for 1884,	10 00
	\$339 50

Old Claims.

Paid—George W. Connell, note and interest,	\$164 70
Mary O. Frazier estate,	616 90
Charles Tucker “	307 73
	\$1089 33

BREAKING ROADS LAST SPRING.

Paid—K. S. Bullock,	\$7 45
A. P. Braley,	1 45
G. W. Stuart,	8 55
W. W. Vezeay,	8 70
J. S. Roby,	18 26
A. M. Braley,	5 86
C. A. Wells,	9 11

Paid—H. W. Heath,	11 40
J. L. Hilliard,	3 00
G. S. Tenney,	5 00
Squire Braley,	9 75
A. E. Peters	2 50
E. S. Davis,	12 97
N. G. Wiggin,	1 87
M. S. Roby,	3 72
Cyrus Rowe,	3 00
D. Perkins,	1 50
P. G. Sargent,	9 75
Robert Ford,	9 80
H. M. Currier,	1 15
J. S. Sargent,	3 00
F. B. Currier,	1 20
	————— \$138 99

BREAKING ROADS THIS WINTER.

Paid—Squire Braley,	\$2 00
H. M. Currier,	4 66
A. W. Braley,	2 20
G. W. Stuart,	2 40
	————— \$11 26

Recapitulation.

Whole amount received,	\$3841 17
------------------------	-----------

Disbursements.

Paid—Literary fund for 1885,	\$63 70
Parsonage fund interest for 1885,	22 59
Damage to sheep by dogs,	“ 2 00
Support of county paupers	“ 339 58
“ town “	“ 35 87
Highway expenses	“ 300 79
Abatements	“ 30 43
Miscellaneous items	“ 660 64

Paid—Current expenses for 1885,	\$339 50
Old claims,	1089 33
Breaking roads,	150 25
	—————\$3034 68
Cash in treasury,	\$806 49
	—————
	\$3841 17

Outstanding Debts.

Due—Lydia Currier, on note,	\$705 23
Cora I. Sargent, “	44 84
J. S. Roby, Guardian, on note,	819 99
District No. 3, school money for 1884,	10 56
“ “ literary fund “	11 40
“ “ school money for 1885,	9 74
“ “ literary fund “	10 25
“ No. 4, “ “	10 25
“ “ 8, “ “	10 25
	—————\$1632 41

Outstanding Credits.

Due from collector for 1885,	\$600 40
Cash in treasury,	806 49
	—————\$1406 89
Whole amount of debts outstanding,	\$1632 41
Deducting credits,	1406 89
	—————
Actual amount of indebtedness above avail- able assets,	\$225 52
	—————
Reduction of debt,	\$1022 27

Frank E. LITCHFIELD, Treasurer.

This certifies that we have examined the foregoing accounts to us made and found them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JAMES S. KNOWLTON, }
M. L. TAYLOR, } Auditors.

February 27, 1886.

INVOICE.

Invoice of the polls and ratable property of the town of Danbury, April 1st., 1885.

No. of polls,	190.	Value,	\$19,000
Value of real estate,			179,345
No. of horses,	161.	"	10,130
" Oxen,	193.	"	8,364
" Cows,	289.	"	6,382
" Other neat stock,	241.	"	4,328
" Sheep,	1152.	"	2,466
" Hogs,	5.	"	42
" Carriages,	12.	"	660
Stock in corporations in this State,			1,000
Money at interest,			13,143
Stock in trade,			6,600
Value in mills,			2,990
Rate per cent, \$1.18.			
Reduced value, \$1,279.59.			
Parsonage fund in hands of the treasurer,			\$376 50.
Literary " " "			\$39 15.

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

A larger part of the prudential committee made an effort to secure the services of practical and well qualified teachers and success has crowned their efforts. I am persuaded that the teachers as a body have given excellent satisfaction and they deserve the respect and commendation so often bestowed.

In districts No. 1, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, two terms each. No. 6, three terms. No. 4, two terms of 9 and 7 weeks, and a third term of two weeks. This term commenced Nov. 2nd., visited the school on Monday of the second week, listened to the various classes, and found the scholars unprepared to answer the general questions, and manifesting a disposition to disregard the authority of the teacher, who lacked the proper qualifications to instruct and manage the school; and considering the school unprofitable for the district, I dismissed the teacher and closed the term Nov. 13.—

There is a disposition in this district on a part of the citizens to disregard the school law, and appropriate the school money to gratify their own private notions: such a cause establishes a bad precedent, and encourages lawlessness rather than obedience to law and order. It is the duty of all persons, more especially parents, to impress upon the minds of the young the principles of justice and a sacred regard for truth, love of country, humanity, benevolence, industry, and all other virtues which are the ornament and support of human society.

The subject of abolishing school districts is being freely discussed, and your committee hope to see the town system successfully inaugurated at once. The general idea of the law is misunderstood by many people. It is not to tear down and destroy all the school-houses now in existence and have one school for the whole town located in some village, but to place the whole management of our schools in the hands of a school

board of three persons in each town, who will select such places for schools as will best subserve the interests of the whole town, and not any particular part of it. By a harmonious and united effort it can be made profitable and advantageous. Let all who have an interest in the education of the rising generation take hold and help in the work.

By the advise and with the consent of the selectmen I recommend printing the subjoined New School Law.

Stillman Clark, S. S. Committee.

AN ACT in amendment of chapter 86 of the general laws relating to schools, and to establish the town system of schools.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

SECTION 1. The divisions of towns into school districts heretofore existing, is hereby abolished, and each town shall hereafter constitute a single district for school purposes; provided, however, that districts organized under special acts of the legislature may retain their present organization.

SEC. 2. Each town shall forthwith take possession of all the school-houses, lands, apparatus, and other property owned and used for school purposes by the said districts hereby abolished, which said districts might lawfully sell or convey. The property so taken shall be appraised by the assessors of the town, and at the next annual assessment a tax shall be levied upon the whole town equal to the amount of the whole appraisal, and there shall be remitted to the tax-payers of each district the said appraised value of its property so taken. In the case of a union district, the fractional parts of which belong to different towns, the selectmen of such towns shall, acting together, appraise the school property of such union district, abolished under the provisions of this act, and shall make an equitable apportionment of the property and debts of such district, and find the balance equitably due from either of said towns to either of said towns, and order such balance to be paid within a time to be by them limited; and whenever such selectmen shall fail to agree upon the apportionment of the property and debts of such

union district, they shall choose a referee, whose decision shall be final.

SEC. 3. The records of the districts hereby abolished shall be preserved by the town, and returned to the several districts whenever the town shall vote to return to the district system, under the provisions of section 8 of this act.

SEC. 4. The duties heretofore devolving upon superintending and prudential committees shall hereafter be performed by a school board of three persons in each town, to be chosen by ballot at the annual school-meeting, and to hold office three years ; provided, however, that at the first election under this act, one person shall be chosen for three years, one person for two years, and one person for one year, and thereafter one person shall be chosen each year ; and said board shall have power at any time to fill its own vacancies until the next annual meeting of the district.

SEC. 5. The first meeting of such district so composed of the whole town by virtue of this act, shall be called by the selectmen of such town ; and the clerk of such town shall act as the clerk of such district until the clerk of such district is chosen and qualified.

SEC. 6. The said school board of each town shall provide schools within the limits of said town at such places and times as, in their judgment, shall best subserve the interests of education, and as shall give all the scholars of the town as nearly equal advantages as may be practicable ; and said school board may use a portion of the school money, not exceeding twenty-five per cent thereof, for the purpose of conveying scholars to and from such schools.

SEC. 7. The provisions of this act shall not be applied to school districts holding funds for school purposes, in such a manner as to prevent said districts from retaining and enjoying the benefit of said funds.

SEC. 8. Any town, after five years from the time this act goes into effect, may, by a majority vote of all the voters of the district, re-establish the district system in such town, and shall thereafter be subject to the same laws as are now in force in this state in relation to school districts.

SEC. 9. The provisions of the General Laws heretofore enacted in relation to school districts and schools shall be in force so far as the same are consistent with this act; and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect and be in force from and after March 1, 1886.

Approved August 13, 1885.

TABULAR STATEMENT.

No. of District.	No. of Term.	Name of Teacher.	No. of weeks.	Wages per month including board.	No. of Scholars.	Average attendance.	No. attending to Reading.	Spelling.	Penmanship.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Grammar.	History.	Composition.	Book-keeping.	Algebra.
1	1	Carrie F. Emmons.	8	19 20	21	19	22	22	12	17	8	4			3	
2	2	Herbert S. Clay.	11.6	22 00	20	19	21	21	13	15	8	2		4	2	
4	1	Lucy Nelson.	9	22 72	27	26	27	27	18	14	9			10		
2	2	Martha J. Walker.	7	22 72	26	26	26	26	14	21	14	10				
3	3	Mina Hall.	2	22 72	25	24	25	25		23	11	1			2	1
5	1	Anna L. Walker.	7	17 00	6	5	6	5	2	5	2	1				
2	2	"	8.6	18 00	7	5	7	6	3	5	2	1				
6	1	Stella M. Prince.	6	24 00	40	31	40	40	40	30	19	5			1	
2	2	"	10	24 00	41	37	41	41	41	17	10	5		7	2	
3	3	"	10	24 00	33	27	32	32	29	16	10	6		7	2	
7	1	Ida May Danforth.	8	20 00	17	11	17	17	7	8	2	2			1	
2	2	Will M. Pillsbury.	10	22 00	16	13	16	16	3	9	1	1				
8	1	Elsie K. Jackson.	8	15 92	15	13	15	15	7	11	5	8		2	7	
2	2	Mary A. Thompson.	8	19 92	15	13	15	15	9	12	5	8		2	8	
9	1	Nancy E. Wilkins.	6	12 80	8	6	8	8	7	5	2					3
2	2	Mary E. Clay.	11	18 00	14	9	14	14	13	10	5	3		1		1
10	1	M. Alice Jackson.	8	12 60	7	7	7	7	5	6	4	1				
2	2	Nancy E. Wilkins.	5	13 00	8	8	8	8	8	8	5	4	1			



STILLMAN CLARK,
GENERAL MERCHANDISE,
CENTRAL SQ. - DANBURY.

I carry a well selected stock of
FAMILY GROCERIES, FINE TEAS,
PURE COFFEES AND SPICES, YANKEE NOTIONS
AND SMALL WARES.

HARDWARE, FARMING TOOLS,
Grass and Garden Seeds, and
Pocket Cutlery.

I Offer Special Inducement In
DRY GOODS, RUBBER BOOTS AND SHOES,
Men's and Boys' best Kip and Calf Boots, Wo-
men's and Misses best Kid and Grain Shoes,
Try a package of our Wheat Germ Meal and Rolled
Avena, either make a delicious dish.

I can sell you Meal, Middlings and Shorts at
bottom prices ; also Flour, Pillsbury's
Best, and the best brands of
St. Louis.

Farmers don't fail to bring in your order for
Bradley's Superphosphate of Lime, or
Bradley's Bird Sea Fowl Guano,
The only Phosphate that sells itself.

Buy the best Swivel Plow,— LUFKINS'. Try the 76 Swivel
Plow, warrented to give satisfaction.

I can Insure your Buildings in the N. H. Fire Ins. Co.
or the PEOPLE'S: both Reliable State Stock Cos.

Cash or ready pay on delivery of goods.

New Hampshire State Library



3 4677 00330349 7